WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An emergency information storage container kit comprising:

a storage container; and

instructions for:

preparing human readable material to assist rescue personnel in the location of regular occupants of a building;

installing said storage container at an installation location at said building; and

storing said human readable material in said storage container.

- 2. The kit of claim 1 wherein said instructions for preparing human readable material include instructions for preparing names of individuals or pets regularly occupying said building.
- 3. The kit of claim 2 wherein said instructions for preparing human readable material further include instructions for indicating locations of regular occupancy in said building of said named individuals or pets.
- 4. The kit of claim 1 wherein said instructions for preparing human readable material include instructions for preparing a floor plan for at least a portion of said building.
- 5. The kit of claim 4 wherein said instructions for preparing human readable material further include instructions for indicating on said floor plan locations of regular occupancy in said building of individuals or pets regularly occupying said building.
- 6. The kit of claim 5 wherein said indicators comprise markers adherable to said floor plan.
- 7. The kit of claim 6 wherein said markers display the name of an individual or pet.

- 8. The kit of claim 3 wherein said instructions for preparing human readable material further include instructions for preparing medical information for said named individuals or pets.
- 9. The kit of claim 3 wherein said instructions for preparing human readable material further include instructions for preparing information indicating the age of individuals regularly occupying said building.
- 10. The kit of claim 3 wherein said instructions for preparing human readable material further include instructions for preparing information indicating pet species.
- 11. The kit of claim 1 further comprising:

 forms which, after said preparing, comprise said human readable material.
- 12. The kit of claim 1 further comprising:

a computer readable medium storing computer-executable instructions which, when performed by a processor in a computing device, facilitate said preparing.

- 13. The kit of claim 1 further comprising:
- a sign for displaying at said building to indicate the presence of said emergency information storage container.
- 14. The kit of claim 1 wherein said instructions for installing are for installing at an installation location proximate to an exterior door of said building.
- 15. The kit of claim 1 wherein said instructions for installing are for installing at an installation location proximate to an entryway to a floor of said building.
- 16. The kit of claim 1 wherein said storage container has markings providing an outward indication of the information stored therein.
- 17. The kit of claim 1 wherein said storage container is made from a fire resistant material.

- 18. The kit of claim 1 further comprising:
 - a beacon or alarm to facilitate location of said container during an emergency.
- 19. The kit of claim 19 wherein said beacon or alarm is activated by the presence of smoke or a hazardous gas.
- 20. The kit of claim 1 wherein said instructions for preparing human readable material include instructions for preparing a number of individuals or pets regularly occupying said building.
- 21. A method of assisting rescue personnel, comprising:

preparing human readable material to assist said rescue personnel in locating regular occupants of a building; and

installing a storage container at an installation location at said building for storing said human readable material.

- 22. The method of claim 21 wherein said human readable material comprises a number of individuals or pets regularly occupying said building.
- 23. The method of claim 21 wherein said human readable material comprises names of individuals or pets regularly occupying said building.
- 24. The method of claim 23 wherein said human readable material indicates locations of regular occupancy in said building of said named individuals or pets.
- 25. The method of claim 24 wherein said human readable material comprises a floor plan for at least a portion of said building.
- 26. The method of claim 25 wherein said human readable material further comprises indicators on said floor plan of locations of regular occupancy in said building of individuals or pets regularly occupying said building.

27. The method of claim 21 further comprising:

displaying a sign at said building to indicate the presence of said emergency information storage container.

- 28. The method of claim 21 wherein said installation location is proximate to an exterior door of said building.
- 29. The method of claim 21 wherein said installation location is proximate to an entryway to a floor of said building.
- 30. The method of claim 21 further comprising: periodically updating said human readable material.
- 31. The method of claim 21 further comprising:

 providing periodic reminders to update said human readable material.